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## ..Easter Greeting..

We are now in our new store in the Merryday Block where we wish to welcome our old customers, also new.

## SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK:

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IN THE NEW MERRYDAY BLOCK

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PALATKA, FLORIDA

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Liabilities to Depositors.....495,000.00  
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## BEST PEOPLE ON EARTH WILL OWN PALATKA NEXT WEEK

For Three Full Days—Local Elks Have Their Heads in Air.

Next week the "Convention City" will have the joyous privilege of welcoming the State gathering of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks—the B. P. O. E's. These initials have been worked over by enthusiasts to mean "Best People on Earth." And there is more of truth than sentimental egoism in the appellation.

Don't get the notion that the Elks are fastened to an entirely earthy conception of twentieth century conduct by a festoon of brass tacks; that would be a mistake. Their rules of conduct allow for a larger liberty than does the majority of fraternal organizations when it comes to personal matters, but what should and does weigh with the people is the principles of brotherhood for which the order stands. An Elk is a man pledged to the principles bounded in the precept of "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man."

The order is one of benevolence, of protection. It believes in God and stands by and protects its Brothers. It provides for the needy ones and has an eye on the families of its departed brothers. When an Elk passes to the Great Beyond his name is registered and his memory is not permitted to vanish. It is kept green; it is enshrined and made to blossom. Could the grief that has been assuaged by the order, the tears it has wiped from the eyes of the sorrowing, be weighed and measured, it would be a tale untold that would cause all men to bless.

It is a great and growing order and it is doing a mighty work for mankind. Palatka welcomes its representatives and trusts they will have a time to be remembered with pleasure so long as they shall live. The city is gay with decorations. They are sincere expressions of the city's joy in having them with us.

The session will open on Tuesday and continue through Wednesday and Thursday. The following is the official program:

### Tuesday.

Morning—Registration of Elks and distribution of badges at the Elk's home. Registration of all visiting ladies and distribution of badges in the Putnam House parlors.

3:00 p. m.—Opening session. Welcome address by Brother S. J. Kennerly, mayor. Response by Howell A. Davis, president. Appointment of committees on credentials.

3:30 p. m.—Reception by ladies of Palatka to visiting ladies at the home of Mrs. Howell A. Davis.

7:00 p. m.—Theater party at Kalbfeld's Grand for all Elks and ladies.

9:00 p. m.—Keno party at Putnam House for all Elks and ladies.

### Wednesday.

10:00 a. m.—Session of the Florida State Elks' Association and election of officers. Card party for the ladies at the Putnam House.

12:00 p. m.—Boat ride on St. Johns river. Dutch lunch will be served at 1 p. m.

7:00 p. m.—Elks' parade.

9:00 p. m.—Grand ball.

### Thursday.

10:00 a. m.—Session of the Florida State Elks' Association. Installation of officers. Adjournment sine die.

10:00 a. m.—Sightseeing and shopping for ladies.

2:00 p. m.—Auto ride and visit to camphor farm.

8:00 p. m.—Stag smoker.

From present indications the Palatka convention will be one of the most elaborate and largest attended ever held in the state. The Palatka Elks may be depended upon to give the Best People on Earth the "best time on earth," and nothing is being left undone by the various committees of the host lodge to deliver the goods.

### Basket Ball Game.

"Our Girls" will play Duval High School this evening at the Athletic Club House. The girls are very anxious for a full house as they are coming to this game armed to the teeth and with blood in their eyes, ready for the fray, which promises to be a warm one. Duval has had uninterrupted success throughout the season and the Palatka team hopes to wrest the pennant from them. Admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

## A Bargain IN TOURS

\$71.50 to California Expositions and return to Chicago by diverse routes. \$69.00 back to St. Louis. Other cut rates.

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## FLORIDA BANKERS EXPRESS PLEASURE

Over Palatka's Open Hearted Hospitality in Resolutions.

Before the Florida Bankers' Association adjourned its annual convention in Palatka last Saturday, the following resolution was passed:

"Be It Resolved, That the Florida Bankers' Association appreciate the generous hospitality of the bankers of Palatka, the board of trade and the citizens generally, and we hereby express our pleasure in acknowledging of all efforts which have been so successfully made for our entertainment and comfort."

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Florida Bankers' Association, in Convention assembled, at Palatka, Florida, on Saturday, March 27th, 1915.

GEO. R. DESAUSSEURE,

Secretary-Treasurer.

The bankers of Palatka have also furnished The News with the following resolution of appreciation:

The Bankers of Palatka desire to express their appreciation and to acknowledge their indebtedness to the board of trade, Elks club, Beach & Miller line, and to those loaning cars and taking part in the musical and reception, as well as to the citizens generally, for the kindly interest and effort which were put forth to entertain the Florida Bankers' Association and which contributed so much to the success of that convention.

East Florida Savings & Trust Co. Putnam National Bank, State Bank of Palatka.

The convention of Florida Bankers in this city last week was also a pleasure to the people of Palatka, and The News has heard universal expression of this appreciation from business and professional men as well as scores of men in the ordinary walks of life.

It was a fine convention in its personnel—they were a prosperous, well-fed and swagger looking body of men. That ought to go without saying, and does.

These money kings who spend their lives behind cared vaults loaded to the nozzle with gold and silver and their equivalent in Uncle Sam's currency, and who toil hard even though they don't spin, acted as if they were so many boys on a lark. They seemed to enjoy the fresh air. On the automobile ride to San Mateo and the camphor farm, they took long, deep intakes of air and occasionally let out a "whoopie." Down at San Mateo when Frank Fearnside invited them into Bailey's orange grove and told 'em to help themselves to fruit, they did so. They ate the oranges tasted good. They enjoyed the river ride on the steamer Crescent Saturday afternoon. The steamer took them up into Dunn's Creek beyond the bridge. Few of those New York bankers ever saw nature unadorned; in New York nature has gone into perpetual mourning and its tears fall from sky-scrapers into the streets.

The musicale followed by the reception and ball at the Putnam House on Friday night was a beautiful affair. In another column will be found the musical program. Palatka society turned out in goodly numbers to welcome the bankers and our beautiful matrons and maids danced with them.

The banquet at the Putnam House on Saturday night was most enjoyable. That of course was confined mainly to the delegates. President Lincoln Hulley, without doubt Florida's biggest man—biggest mentally and solid physically was toast-master. He performed the part to the edification of all; he let joy and mirth reign unconfined. The responses were talented.

One of the biggest compliments paid to Palatka by this great gathering of brains and money-bags, was the unanimous selection of our own and only A. S. Willard to be president of the association for the ensuing year. Dick Adams of the East Florida Savings & Trust Co. and F. J. Fearnside, president of the State Bank of Palatka, with Charley Burt, hooped about among the members and helped make sentiment for Willard. But they were not the only ones. Bankers from all parts of Florida were for Willard. The News is glad this honor has come to Palatka, and there is no man in local banking circles who knows how to wear the honor more modestly and with a more becoming grace. Palatka appreciates the honor. So does Mr. Willard. He'd be a chump if he didn't.

Col. Fred E. Farnsworth, secretary of the National Association and an authority on financial matters, was perhaps the big cheese of the gathering, though there were dozens of more big financiers from New York and other cities representing the new regional banks of the country present. They liked Palatka. Farnsworth spread financial information about among our cracker bankers and imbued them with ideas of their business which will be helpful in all the coming years. The Florida bankers liked Farnsworth; he has a big place in Wall street, but he also now has a big place in Palatka. He has been in Florida many times; has a brother down at Eustis, and his father maintained a winter home in Florida for many years before he passed over the river to "rest in the shade of the trees."

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## MOTION PICTURE MEN TO MEET IN PALATKA

In Annual Convention Next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

The Fourth Semi-Annual convention of the Motion Picture Exhibitors' League of America, Florida State Branch, has been called to meet in this city on the 4, 5, 6 and 7th insts.

The convention will be held at the Kalbfeld Grand Theater. Manager Louis Kalbfeld, who is vice president of the Florida League, will be the host of the convention and he has prepared a program for their entertainment that should make the delegates pleased with Palatka.

On Monday night Mr. Kalbfeld will be host at a banquet given the delegates at James' Cafe, and the following day they will be given an automobile ride. Mr. Kalbfeld states that about thirty delegates will be present.

A. H. LaBelle, secretary and treasurer of the Florida League sends out the following notice to members.

Dear Sir: The Florida Exhibitors' League, No. 33, requests your presence at the fourth semi-annual convention to be held at Kalbfeld's Grand Theater, Palatka, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, April 4, 5 and 6.

The convention will open on Monday, April 5, at the Grand theater at 10 a. m. to transact business and improve the condition of the league and also to cooperate with one another for the mutual benefit of all the exhibitors of the state.

I can guarantee a good program has been arranged to entertain all the exhibitors and their friends who will be at the convention.

Beginning Tuesday, April 6, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks will hold their state convention in Palatka and I beg to state that you will see by the enclosed program that all the exhibitors are assured a very good time and will also be able to get good rates at the hotels. I have a letter from Mr. Kalbfeld who states that the exhibitors will be able to participate in the Elks' convention.

As the next legislature meets in April this will be the last time the exhibitors will have to get together and take the steps that should be taken to bring about several changes that should be made and will have to be made for the coming year.

Hoping to see you with us and to cooperate with us in every way to make this convention the greatest yet, I am

Yours very truly,  
A. H. LABELLE,  
Secretary and Treasurer.

## PALATKA YOUNG LADY RECEIVES HONORS

Miss Helen Cochrane to Represent Brenau Col.

At Annual Convention of Alpha Gamma Delta in Minneapolis.

Miss Helen Cochrane of this city, whose sweet and womanly character has made her the recipient of many honors at the hands of her fellow students at Brenau College, Gainesville, Ga., has been elected by her fraternity, Mu Chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta, to represent them at the annual convention to be held in June at Minneapolis, Minn.

After the close of Brenau, Miss Cochrane will go to Columbus, Georgia for a two weeks stay on a house party. From Columbus Miss Cochrane will go to Chicago where she will be the guest for the day of the Delta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta. At Chicago she will join the balance of the party, consisting of various delegates from all over the United States. They will go in private cars directly to Minneapolis. This is the highest honor a fraternity can bestow on a girl, and the many friends of Miss Cochrane are congratulating her upon her election.

### "Old Bob Davis."

Discreetly and reverently we have referred to the subject of this brief notice. But Old Bob Davis, now Register of the Land Office in Gainesville, and everywhere known and loved for his many splendid qualities, was another visitor to the city yesterday.

Bob Davis couldn't be anything but a gentleman, even if he tried. He is a gentleman by birth, instinct and education. The association he has had with his fellow men has only enriched and made more brilliant these splendid qualities.

Just why we should wait till a man is dead and buried to say these nice things about him, "surpasseth all understanding." The meanest thing that any living man could possibly say against Bob Davis is that he is poor.

But if we truly believe the teachings of Jesus Christ when he said "Blessed are the poor, for they shall inherit the kingdom of heaven," then will we also say that if Old Bob Davis is not there when we get there, that "we had no business in being there."—Jacksonville Floridian.

Albert Williamson of the Floridian has expressed our sentiments nicely regarding Col. Davis; there is just one point on which we disagree, and that is the matter of age; Col. Davis is not an old man.

## PALATKA TO BE THE CENTER OF A NEW JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

To be Composed of Putnam, St. Johns and Clay Counties.

A bill is to be presented to the legislature in a week or two, with the purpose of creating a new judicial circuit composed of the counties of Putnam, St. Johns and Clay. That it will pass the legislature and become law is evident from the enthusiasm of the bar of the counties named and the necessities of the case.

St. Johns and Clay counties are now a part of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, of which Duval county also forms part. There are two circuit judges on this circuit, and yet the litigation in Duval county is so heavy as to really require the work of additional judges. Owing to the great amount of litigation in the Fourth Circuit, the business of the court in St. Johns and Clay county is behind. The bar of Duval county, recognizing the needs of these counties, it is understood will offer no opposition to the creation of the new circuit.

The bar of St. Johns and Clay county are practically unanimous in favor of the new circuit.

Putnam County is a part of the Eighth Judicial circuit. The other counties in this circuit are Alachua, Baker, Bradford and Levy. Judge Wills, it is understood has given his consent to the taking of Putnam county from his circuit for the purpose of the new; not because he has any feeling against Putnam, but because he is overworked.

A judge does more real hard work in chambers (in his office) than is done on the bench at the regular terms of court. A large part of the chancery business is done in chambers.

The lawyers of Putnam county have also agreed on the need of the new circuit, and with those of the other counties named in the bill, will work for the passage of the measure. Members of the legislature from the counties interested have also been seen and will work for its passage.

Duval county, as has been stated, has work enough within its borders to occupy the time of additional judges, and that county will also have a bill before the legislature to permit the increase in some form or other to relieve the present congestion. In this case it is possible that the new circuit of which Putnam is to be a part may retain the old number of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, and a new number given to the Duval Circuit.

Another fact that will have special interest in Palatka and Putnam county is that the bar of this county has agreed to recommend Attorney A. H. Odom of this city to be judge of the new circuit. And further, the bar of St. Johns and Clay counties are understood to be practically unanimous in favor of Mr. Odom's appointment. There is in fact no opposition to him in these counties, though one attorney in St. Johns county only, while not opposed to Mr. Odom, is said to be opposed to the new circuit and simply for the reason that he prefers to be associated with the circuit in Jacksonville.

For States Attorney the attorneys of the proposed new circuit have agreed upon the Judge E. Noble Calhoun of St. Augustine, formerly of this city, and one of the brightest, most eloquent and most successful practitioners in Florida.

Mr. Odom has long ranked as one of the best legal minds in this section. He is a profound student of the law, has an analytical mind—the judicial mind, and in the event of his appointment, which is as certain as the passage of the bill, the new circuit is assured of a judge who is conversant with the law and who is a lover of justice.

### Henry E. Day is Dead.

Henry E. Day, a special agent in the claim department of the Florida East Coast R'y, died at Miami on Tuesday. His death was due to angina pectoris. Mr. Day's home was in Jacksonville. He made frequent trips to this city and was well-known by our business men.

He was one of the best known railroad men in Florida. For a number of years he was chairman of the Florida Railway Commission, but since his retirement has been connected with the Flagler System. He was in his office in Jacksonville last Saturday, and apparently well. On Sunday he left on a business trip to Miami. He is survived by his wife and one son, Dr. Gaston Day of Jacksonville, a former city physician.

### Musical Friday Evening.

Last Friday evening the Putnam House was again the scene of gaiety when the parlors were thrown open for the excellent musicale and after wards the dance. The musicale was of the same high order as heretofore and many were the signs of approval and admiration over the program, which was, as follows: Overture—Chattaway's orchestra; "Flower Rain,"—Mrs. Lewis Smith; "My Little Love,"—Hawley—Mr. Noah J. Tighman, Jr.; "Magic Song,"—Meyer Helmund, Miss Leib, (violin obligato by Lewington Barstow); "Barcarolle,"—Offenbach, Mrs. Alston Halle and Mr. N. J. Tighman; "The Lorelie,"—Listz, Miss Alice Hutchinson; Solo, Selected, Miss E. Mae Brown. The accompanists were Mrs. J. E. Lucas, Mrs. Halle, Mrs. W. C. Quick and Miss Hutchinson.